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THURSDAY EVE., DEC. 22, 1887.

HENRY GEORGE declares that since the President's message appeared the question has become one not between high tariff and low tariff, but between protection and free trade. George is correct. To this complexion has it come at last. For the partisan service which Mr. Cleveland has thus rendered the Republicans they owe him their eternal gratitude.

St. Louis Globe-Democrat: Mr. Perry C. Smith, who succeeds Eugene Higgins as an official in the Treasury Department, may never be able to endear himself to the President as thoroughly as did the man he replaces. Neither can he, in the year and a quarter in which the Democracy is to remain in power, hope to achieve the picturesque and capacious repugnance which ninety-nine decent Americans out of every 100 feel toward Mr. Higgins at this moment.

FRANK HURD, the free-trade ex-congressman from the Toledo district, is in ecstasies over President Cleveland's message. "The issue will be free-trade on the part of the Democrats and protection on the part of the Republicans," he says, "with Cleveland as the free-trade Democratic candidate." He adds that on this issue the Democrats will carry Michigan, Iowa, Wisconsin and Minnesota. This is the average wisdom of a free-trade politician. Either the States named will be Republican in 1893 as certainly as Vermont. There is no free-trade sentiment at the West, except among a few cranks in both parties. On the other hand, with a free-trade platform, the Democrats, on an honest vote, would lose half the States at the South.

Mr. J. S. McCLURE, who was recently turned out of the postoffice at Williamsville, Sangamon county, has furnished to the State Journal at Springfield, over his own name, an account of his removal, which is as follows:

On December 1 I received a visit from a post office inspector, who demanded of me the amount of money belonging to the department in my hands, which was \$51.88, and which was not due until the close of the quarter, December 21. However, I tendered him payment in a check. There being no bank here, the bulk of the business is carried on by checking on Springfield banks. The inspector refused to accept the check on the grounds that it was contrary to law to make payment of dues to the department in other than current funds. I thereupon went out, got the check cashed, returned, and in his (the inspector's) presence placed the money in a registered letter and forwarded the same to H. W. Clementin, the Springfield postmaster, the proper place for me to make deposit, on the same train on which the inspector took his departure; and at the time of my arrest, the following day, I had Clementin's receipt for the \$51.88 in my possession. In addition to the above I will say that I have been postmaster here for the past thirteen and a half years, and have never been short with the department to the amount of a single penny.

The outrage upon Mr. McCLURE was without the shadow of excuse, and was either prompted by the grossest ignorance or malice upon the part of those who instigated it.

SCORFULOUS humors, erysipelas, cancer and catarrh can be cured by taking Ayer's Sarsaparilla. "I have used this medicine in my family, for scrofula, and know, if it is taken persistently, it will eradicate this terrible disease."—W. F. Fowler, M. D., Greenville, Tenn.

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Why don't you wear clothes that fit? Lay aside those slopshop garments that hang on you like they had been pitched at you, go to Veale, "the French cutter from Cork," have your measure taken for a suit, and you will get a fit that will make you feel good until the clothes are worn out. Good fits are guaranteed and the stock of goods he carries is second to none in the city. Store in Ulrich block, 142 E. Prairie St.
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In Addition

To our already unparalleled stock of Silk Handkerchiefs, Linen Handkerchiefs, Silk and Wool Mufflers, we will put on sale Monday morning a large line of importers' samples, bought at 50 cents on the dollar. The line consists of about 50 dozen, no two alike, and ranging in price from 3c to \$1.25. The greatest opportunity for Holiday purchases ever offered. Come and get them quick—first choice always the best.

S. G. HAY & Co.,
dec17-dtf 143 E. Main, Powers Block.

Big Off in prices on Silk Umbrellas, Fine Mufflers and Handkerchiefs, at J. R. Bacon & Co's.
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Baroness purchasing Christmas presents be sure to call at the Woman's Exchange.
20-25, 210 South Main st

Chicago Grain Market.

The following were the closing quotations in Chicago at 1 p. m. to-day, received by G. C. Caldwell, agent of J. M. Shaw & Co., Commission Merchants:

WHEAT—77½ Jan; 73 Feb; 84½ May.
Corn—48½ Dec; 43½ Jan; 49 Feb; 54 May.
Oats—31½ Dec; 30½ Jan; 31½ Feb; 33½ May.
Pork—\$14.87 Jan; \$15.05 Feb; \$15.55 May.
Lard—\$7.77½ Jan; \$7.87½ Feb; \$8.11 May.
Rice—\$7.67½ Jan; \$7.77½ Feb; \$8.07½ May.
Live Stock—Estimated receipts—Hog 3,600; Cattle—4,500; prospects higher.
Our Lots—Wheat: Winter 2; Spring 47; Gen. 126; Oats, 73.

FROM WASHINGTON.

The Proposed American Customs Union—Books Wanted On the Free List.

The Inter-State Commission—Chamberlain's Visit to Canada—The Sick Congressmen.

Affairs of the Pacific Railroads—Importation of Contract Labor to be Suppressed—Congressional.

Congressman Townsend's Proposition for an American Customs Union.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 22.—The agent in this country of Dutch Guiana, South Africa, has urged Congressman Townsend to include that country in his proposition for the establishment of an American Customs Union or Zollverein, and informs him that his Government is strongly in favor of such an arrangement with this country. Mr. Townsend says, since he first introduced his proposition in Congress about four years ago, the sentiment in its favor has grown to be quite general in all the countries on this continent. The move is strengthened by the number of prominent Senators and Representatives who have, during the past two years, introduced bills and resolutions in Congress having this object in view. Mr. Townsend expresses himself as confident of favorable action in this Congress, and of the ultimate success of his scheme.

Want Books Placed on the Free List.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 22.—Superintendent Bell of the foreign mail office, Post-office Department, has received a letter from H. A. Newton, of Yale College, stating that the college officers propose to ask Congress to place on the free list every book, the greater part of which is in a foreign language or in language other than English. Also books published by foreign governments, by learned societies, by literary societies, or by the aid of any of these bodies. A complete list of books is now prohibited from free entry.

The Inter-State Commission.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 22.—The Inter-State Commerce Commission completed the December docket of cases for public hearing Tuesday, and will begin upon the January docket on January 11. From that day until February 18, the public hearings will occupy the attention of the commission continuously. The case already heard in which a discrimination in rates in favor of the Standard Oil Company is alleged, will be argued, and four other cases involving the same questions will be tried. Then the car-load classification will be taken up on January 24, and a great array of counsel is expected to be on hand for its discussion.

Mr. Chamberlain's Mission to Canada.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 22.—The Star of last evening says the purpose of Mr. Chamberlain's visit to Canada is to urge the Canadian authorities to yield to the demands of this Government in the disputed fisheries question. The conference at the State Department have demonstrated that this Government will not yield anything from the position occupied from the first. The department is in the position of demanding privileges for their fishermen which they claim as a right, and there can be no settlement except by Canada according these privileges.

The Sick Congressmen.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 22.—A consultation of physicians was held at Providence Hospital yesterday as to the condition of Representative Moffat, of Michigan. It was decided that his chances seemed more favorable to recovery, but still he is in a precarious condition. His friends have but little hope.

Representative Bitterworth, of Ohio, who has been confined to his room with typhoid fever, was somewhat better last evening.

Larger Parcels to be Allowed in the Parcel Post.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 22.—The Postmaster-General has agreed, at the request of the postal department of Jamaica, to enlarge the dimensions of parcels allowed in the parcel post mail exchanged between the two countries. Under the new arrangement the greatest length must not exceed three feet six inches.

A Parcel Post Convention with the Bahamas Islands.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 22.—The Postmaster-General has signed a parcel post convention with the Governor of the Bahamas Islands, to take effect February 1, 1888. Parcels are not to exceed eleven pounds in weight, and the rate of postage is to be twelve cents per pound.

The Affairs of the Pacific Railroad.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 22.—The following statement was issued from the executive mansion late last night: "The report of the commission to investigate the affairs of the Pacific railroads will not be sent to Congress by the President until after the recess."

The Importation of Contract Labor to be Prevented.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 22.—The Secretary of the Treasury has directed the collectors at New York, Philadelphia, Boston and Baltimore to exercise extra vigilance to prevent the importation of all contract labor.

The Days We Celebrate.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 22.—The Secretary of the Treasury yesterday issued an order that all of the custom houses throughout the country be closed on the 26th of December and the 2nd of January.

THE FIFTIETH CONGRESS.

(First Session.)

WASHINGTON, Dec. 21.—Mr. Sherman reported the bill to restrict ownership of lands in the Territories by foreigners.

Mr. Voorhees introduced the McCarolan claim, which has been pending for twenty years.

The resolution providing for a committee of five Senators to investigate the condition of the five civilized tribes of Indians and their claims to citizenship, was adopted.

The resolution to direct a reduction of letter postage was referred to the post-office committee.

Mr. Beck replied at length in defense of the financial policy of the Administration, and was severely criticised by Republican Senators.

Mr. Dolph took the floor to argue that large appropriations for internal improvements were the proper means of reducing the surplus.

At two o'clock the Blair Educational bill came up, but was laid aside to allow Mr. Dolph to continue his remarks.

Mr. Vest followed in defense of the Administration, and his remarks called forth further speeches by Messrs. Plumb, Teller and others, until six o'clock.

Mr. Butler expressed contempt for the disgusting spectacle which the Senate was presented by the accusation and hypocrisy exhibited today. There was not a Senator who did not know that all that was said about the Senate remaining in session was absolutely base and hypocritical. It was the latest, filthiest, shallowest hypocrisy that he had ever witnessed.

Mr. Plumb repeated the position of public opinion assumed by the Senator from South Carolina.

Mr. Sherman agreed with Mr. Butler that it was hardly worth while for the Senate to deny the House the usual privilege of a holiday adjournment, but he did not agree with him as to the character of to-day's debate.

Mr. Sherman was very much interested in it. It had brought to the attention of the Senate the full of some features of the President's message. The policy of the President's endeavoring to create a sense of alarm about the condition of the country because, fortunately, there was a surplus of fifty-five millions in the treasury. If it were true that there was such a state of alarm as was expressed by the President, certainly a Democratic House ought not to adjourn over holidays.

He believed that the language of the President was entirely too strong. The surplus of \$55,000,000 was less than was in the treasury at other periods of the present Administration. He thought it had a legitimate right to be heard, but he thought it was sought to frighten the country should be punctured, exploded or exploded away.

After further discussion the adjournment resolution was carried by yeas, 37; nays, 12. The Blair Educational bill was taken up as the unfinished business, and then on motion of Mr. Sherman at 4:35 p. m. the Senate proceeded to executive business, and adjourned at four hours after adjournment.

The secret session was devoted to the consideration and confirmation of a number of post masters.

HOUSE.
On behalf of the committee on rules, Mr. Randall submitted a partial report, in which the rules of the Forty-ninth Congress, with a few changes, are recommended for adoption until further order. A standing committee of thirty members is recommended to be known as the committee on merchant marine and fisheries. Private bills are to be presented and referred by the clerk. Select committees are provided for: On reform in the civil service; on election of President, Vice-President and Representatives in Congress; on the currency, coins, and on Indian depredation claims. A select committee of seven is provided on ventilation and acoustics, and one of eleven on the alcoholic liquor traffic.

Mr. Randall explained that the proposed changes were recommended by a unanimous vote of the committee on rules, with the exception of the recommendation for the appointment of the special committee on alcoholic liquor traffic, and that he (Randall) and Messrs. Reed and Cannon formed the majority on that point.

After discussion as to the advisability of the new select committee on Indian depredations claims the partial report of the committee on rules was adopted without division.

Mr. Tracy (N. Y.) offered a set of resolutions expressing regret with which the House learned of the death of N. T. Kane, late member-elect from New York.

The resolutions were adopted, and as a further mark of respect, the House, at 1:15 p. m., adjourned until to-morrow.

ST. PAUL'S WINTER ICE CARNIVAL.

Programme Finally Agreed Upon—A Ten-Day's Jubilee.

ST. PAUL, Minn., Dec. 22.—The programme for the winter ice carnival has been finally agreed upon, and has been given out by the directors of the Carnival Association. It is as follows:

Wednesday, January 3.—Formal opening of the Carnival with a torch and bonfire, and a parade. Arrival of the ice king by rail at 7:30 p. m., and reception and parade, starting at 8 p. m.

Thursday, January 4.—Equine display in the afternoon.

Friday, January 5.—First storming of the ice palace.

Saturday, January 6.—Children's day, with a procession.

Sunday, January 7.—Procession of old settlers and Indians.

Tuesday, January 8.—Day parade of all the carnival clubs and floats.

Wednesday, February 1.—Trades and industrial parade.

Thursday, February 2.—Minneapolis day—Second storming of the ice palace.

Friday, February 3.—Second equine display including trotting.

Saturday, February 4.—Closing exercises.

At the meeting of the directors held Tuesday night, a communication was received from Montreal stating that 250 of the Troupe Blues of that city would attend the carnival.

Anna St. Clair Garry's Suit.

NEW YORK, Dec. 22.—Anna St. Clair Garry began suit yesterday in the United States Circuit Court against the Central Trust Company, Richmond & West Point Terminal Company, William R. Grace, W. F. Clyde and others. Mrs. Garry owns \$1,000,000 of bonds of the Western North Carolina Railroad Company, issued in 1885, to run thirty years. Mrs. Garry, in her complaint, states that the State of North Carolina agreed to accept \$7,780,000 bonds of the company, and to pay the interest on the bonds. The State repudiated the agreement, and the interest remained unpaid. Under an act of the North Carolina Legislature, W. R. Grace and others purchased the repudiated bonds. Some of these bonds have since been sold to the Richmond Terminal Company, the Central Trust Company, Clyde and others. Mrs. Garry asks the court to compel the defendants to give an account of the disposition of the bonds, and also to compel them to pay interest.

A Frightful Collision.

MASON CITY, Ia., Dec. 22.—Two passenger trains on the Chicago, Milwaukee & St. Paul road collided about two miles west of Calmar at an early hour yesterday morning. Both trains were running at a high rate of speed. Both engines and two cars were overturned and piled up in confusion. Engineer Levy and his fireman Brantigan, both of this city, were caught in the debris and it was over three hours before they could be extricated. Neither can live. The baggage men on both trains were badly injured. The accident was the result of a misunderstanding of the time table.

The Reading Railroad to Revert to the Stockholders.

PHILADELPHIA, Dec. 22.—No formality will attend the handing over of the Reading railroad properties by the receivers to the stockholders in January. The business will then be conducted by the president and board of managers. The annual meeting will take place a week later, and on that occasion President Corbin will submit his report, which will embody the statement of the receivers. The officers of the company have the annual report in readiness for the stockholders a few days before the yearly meeting.

Read This.
Messrs. Dinges & Coop. With an experience of twenty-five years in housekeeping, I am willing to say that I have never had in my house a Coffee we all like so well as your Winsor Mocha and Java.
Very Respectfully,
Very Respectfully,
DINGES & COOP.

DECATUR, ILL., DEC. 1st, 1887.
Messrs. Dinges & Coop: We like your Winsor Mocha and Java better than any Coffee we have had since the war.
Very Respectfully,
DINGES & COOP.
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Annual Meeting.

The regular annual meeting of the Savings Fund Building Association will be held at the city council rooms on Tuesday evening, Dec. 27th 1887 at 8 o'clock p. m. for the purpose of electing three Directors and the transaction of such business as may come before it.

Jos. Mills, Pres't.
B. K. Durfee, Sec'y and Treas.
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Pumps of every description. Iron force and lift pumps and wood pumps for deep and shallow wells and cisterns. Chain pumps, pitcher spout pumps, tank pumps, purifying pumps, drive well pumps. Special pumps manufactured to order for any purpose. All pumps warranted. Pump repairing a specialty.

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Go to The Spencer & Lehman Co. for Wood Pumps, Chain Pumps and Iron Force Pumps.
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LINA & SCHWAB.
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E. L. MARTIN can supply you with all kinds of Hard and Soft Coal by the ton or carload as cheap as any place in the city.
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Friends Creek Nursery.

S. Bonham, proprietor, will have Christmas trees and stock the coming spring at the old stand, east side New Square, adjoining stone yard. Leave orders with John Pasold.
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Mrs. M. if you insist upon making me a Christmas present, I will take a small box of crystallized fruit from Dinges & Coop's.
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Real bargains in Overcoats at the Star Clothing House.
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Opera House

ONE NIGHT ONLY.

THURSDAY, Dec. 22.

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22 Great Artists in the Cast! Entire Car Load Special Scenery!

Original Tennessee Jubilee Singers!

Superb band and Orchestra. Miniature Carriage, Ponies, Donkeys and Shetland Hounds. Performance concluding with the Marvelous Transformation.

"Beautiful Gates Ajar!"

Watch for the Great STREET PARADE, on FRIDAY, at noon.

POPULAR PRICES—25, 50 and 75 Cts.

CHILDREN 25 Cents to any part of the house. Reserved Seats on sale at Prescott's three days in advance.

Opera House

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MISS NELLIE BOYD

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A River Mystery.

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New York City Illuminated, The Brooklyn Bridge, Wonderful Storm Scene, Etc., Etc., Etc.

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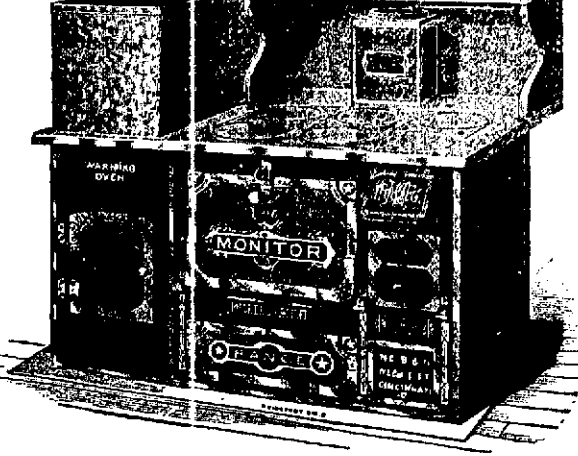
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Have Outstripped All Competition.
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HEARKEN UNTO MY WORDS

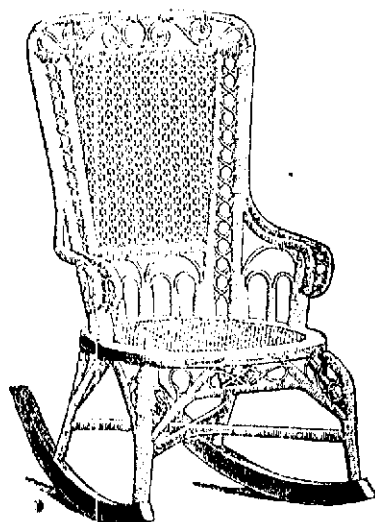
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COMMANDMENTS.

- I. Thou shalt have no other place to buy Clothing, Hats, Caps and Furnishing Goods, except **CHEAP CHARLEY'S**.
- II. Thou shalt not choose unto thyself any other Merchant; thou shalt not bow down to them nor listen to their speeches, for Cheap Charley's Clothing House is a reliable place to trade, capable to serve his customers to the third and fourth generations.
- III. Thou need not seek in vain for stylish Clothing, Furnishing Goods, etc., at the Very Lowest Prices, for they can be found in large quantities at Cheap Charley's.
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- V. Thou shalt honor Cheap Charley's One Price Clothing House. May you for many years be dressed in suits thereof.
- VI. Thou shalt not commit an outrage on propriety by purchasing thy Clothing, Gents' Furnishing Goods, Hats, Caps, Trunks, etc., elsewhere, but go direct to Cheap Charley's, where thou wilt get what thou wantest at Low Prices.
- VII. Thou shalt not seek adulterously strange styles, but go direct to Cheap Charleys, Corner of Old Square.
- VIII. Thou shalt not steal an Overcoat, for Cheap Charley sells them so cheap it would be a sin.
- IX. Thou shalt not bear false witness, but openly acknowledge that thou canst be better suited at Cheap Charley's for less money than any other Clothing House in the city.
- X. Thou shalt not covet thy neighbor's goods, nor his bargains, but take counsel of this and proceed straightway to Cheap Charley's, Corner of Old Square.

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Corner of the Old Square.

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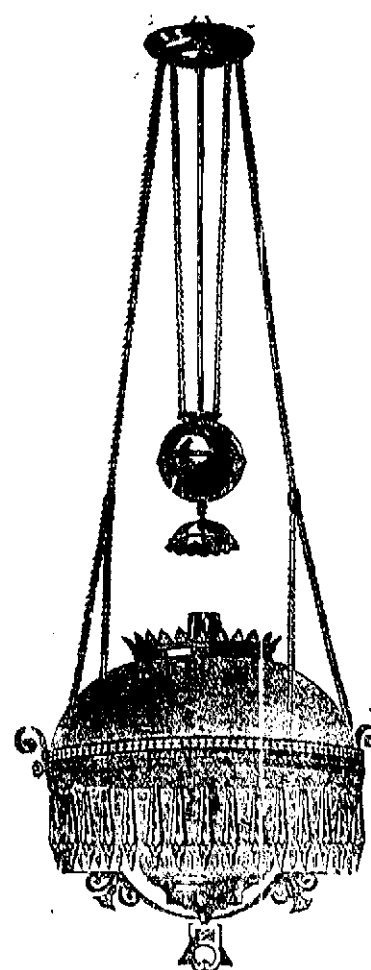
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A NARROW ESCAPE FROM DEATH OF A STREET CAR LOAD OF PASSENGERS.

A Narrow Escape From Death of a Street Car Load of Passengers.

An Old Lady Taken From Beneath the Wheels of a Moving Locomotive in St. Louis.

St. Louis, Dec. 22.—At eleven o'clock yesterday morning a thrilling accident occurred at the track of the Missouri Pacific Railroad, on Seventh and Poplar streets, and had it not been for the daring interference of a policeman, Officer Dugge of the Second district, the life of a woman would unquestionably have been sacrificed.

One of the street cars of the St. Louis road (the Broadway line) was going south over its track on Seventh street. The horses attached to the car were being driven at a very rapid gait and they had attained considerable speed by the time Poplar street had been reached. At the same time engine No. 307, of the Missouri Pacific, with Michael Mahoney in the cab, was coming east on Poplar street, traveling at a rapid rate of speed. It is hard to say to whom the blame of the accident is to be attached, but the fact remains, nevertheless, that the signal was not given in time, or was not seen, and the street car rattled on over the tracks, heedless of the danger which menaced it. The locomotive was drawing a long train of freight cars, behind which was another locomotive used as a "pusher." When Engineer Mahoney realized the situation, when he saw the street car loaded with passengers about to roll over the railroad crossing to be crushed with its human freight by the locomotive he was driving, he did the best he could under the circumstance, this is to say, he reversed his engine.

Meanwhile the passengers in the street car took in the situation and sought to save themselves as best they could. They rushed pell-mell from the car, jumping off the rear platform into the street. The car passed over the track safe and sound before the engine, which was still moving in spite of the restraining action of the team, had time to strike and demolish it. One of the passengers, Mrs. Josephine Eichenauer, fifty years of age, was slower than the rest, and, as she jumped from the platform the motion of the car threw her on her back, with her body crosswise in the track. At that moment the engine was almost upon her. Officer Dugge had been in the car and had jumped a moment before the old lady.

For a second the crowd stood with the blood frozen in their veins as they waited, helpless, to see the horror consummated.

The engine was slipping along the track puffing and blowing. Its huge wheels were about to tear the old lady into pieces under the very eyes of the crowd.

Inches, not feet, separated the victim from the mangle of iron. Another second and all would be over.

Officer Dugge saw the old lady, saw the locomotive as it moved along, saw the horror-stricken face of the engineer, and saw that the crowd were glued to their places.

With a bound he leaped under the locomotive, caught the old lady by the hair and dragged her from under the very flanges of the wheels.

A second more and they passed over the spot where her body had been lying.

Refrigeration by Hydrous Ammonia Gas.

New York, Dec. 21.—An exhibition was given yesterday in the presence of a number of prominent men of the Consolidated Refrigerator Company's system of producing cold by the evaporation of an hydrous ammonia gas. One hundred pounds of the ammonia, costing one dollar, is made to do the work of 2,000 pounds of ice, costing sixteen dollars. It is claimed that the saving of space and expense will revolutionize the system of refrigerating railway cars. A change in temperature from fifty degrees above to sixty degrees below zero was accomplished in ninety seconds. It is proposed to supply cold weather in fountains, so to speak, for domestic use. Among those present were Ex-United States Treasurer Jordan, Assistant United States Treasurer Cauda, Colonel Grant, General Logan, of Richmond, General Meade, of Washington, and Hon. J. D. Kelley.

Railroad Consolidation.

HARRISBURG, Pa., Dec. 22.—Papers were filed at the State Department yesterday in the consolidation and merging of the Williamsport & Northwestern Railroad and the Binghamton and Southwestern Railroad Company into one corporation, to be known as the Williamsport & Binghamton Railroad Company, with a capital stock of \$3,500,000. The railroad will be constructed between Williamsport, Pa., and Binghamton, N. Y., a distance of ninety miles.

The Worst Storm in Twenty Years.

New York, Dec. 22.—The steamer *Sawana*, which arrived yesterday from Hayti, reports that on December 6 a heavy gale prevailed in the West Indies, and that on entering the port of Port-au-Prince she vainly sought anchorage for two hours, and was compelled to put to sea again and return the next day when the weather was calmer. Several vessels are reported wrecked on the coast of the island of Hayti. The storm is pronounced the worst they have had on the Haytian coast in twenty years.

Macon County, Mo., Votes for Local Option.

MACON, Mo., Dec. 2.—The local option election in Macon county took place Tuesday. The extreme cold weather caused a light vote to be polled. The returns are coming in slowly, but enough towns have been heard from to indicate the passage of the measure. Official returns from seven out of twenty-six voting precincts, and unofficial returns from four of the dry party. All the heavy wet townships have been heard from.

Sailed for Europe.

New York, Dec. 22.—Chris Von der Ahe, president of the St. Louis Base Ball Club, sailed for Europe yesterday on the *Elder*. He will be gone three months, and intends to visit England, Germany, France and Spain.

Carriage and Wagon Manufacturers in Session.

BUFFALO, N. Y., Dec. 22.—The carriage and wagon manufacturers met at the Niagara House yesterday morning. The meeting will last two days.

Jack McAuliffe on the Stage.

BROOKLYN, Dec. 22.—Jack McAuliffe, the light weight champion pugilist, has become an actor. He is now a member of Hyde & Bohman's traveling company.

THE SMITH-KILRAIN FIGHT.

Richard K. Fox, "Claims Everything" for "World's Champion" Kilrain.
New York, Dec. 22.—Richard K. Fox received the following cable yesterday afternoon in reply to a telegram that he sent Tuesday night, claiming stakes and championship for Kilrain if Smith refused to fight:
LONDON, Dec. 21.—The *Sporting Life* has the following bulletin in its window and is attracting large crowds: "Kilrain arrived in London last night in the best of condition. He is ready and willing to fight Smith to-morrow. His only injury is a black eye." His hands are sound. Kilrain claims the title of champion of the world and the *Police Gazette* bell, which he is prepared to defend against all comers. Smith refuses to renew the fight. The stakes therefore must be drawn in accordance with the decision. Kilrain is pronounced the greatest fighter of modern times. Smith's backers awarded him his share of the battle money. Kilrain claims similar treatment. Cable at once in reply.
[Signed] ATKINSON.
In reply Mr. Fox immediately cabled as follows:
GEO. W. ATKINSON, REFEREE KILRAIN-SMITH FIGHT, "SPORTING LIFE," LONDON, ENGLAND: If Smith won't fight, I claim full stakes and championship of the world for Kilrain. Will present our champion with entire stakes. Smith's backdown must be publicly announced.
[Signed] RICHARD K. FOX.
Mr. Fox will present Kilrain with the \$5,000 put up by him as his share of the stakes, and also the \$1,000 sent the American prize-fighter to make outside bets. Should his claim for the full stakes be allowed, Kilrain will also receive the additional \$5,000.

Too High-Toned to be Amenable to Law.

New York, Dec. 22.—District Attorney Feltman said yesterday that R. K. Fox has certainly made himself liable to indictment by his connection with the Smith-Kilrain fight. The law makes it a misdemeanor to instigate, aid or encourage a prize fight within or without the State. It makes no difference where the fight occurs. It is not considered probable, however, that Mr. Fox will be prosecuted.

Beginning of a Long Speech.

New York, Dec. 22.—Joseph H. Choate, one of the counsel in the six million dollar suit of the Banque Franco-Egyptienne vs. the trustees of the New York, Boston & Montreal Railroad Company, commenced his closing argument for the plaintiff's today. It will take up several days.

Copper Mining Stocks to be Listed.

New York, Dec. 22.—The metal exchange yesterday decided to list twenty-two of the more prominent copper mining stocks to go into effect in ten days. Among the stocks are Calumet & Hecla, Phenix, Osceola, Keewauqua, Star, Atlantic and Hanover.

Explosion of a Gasometer.

POTTSVILLE, Pa., Dec. 22.—The gasometer or reservoir tank that holds the entire supply of gas for Pottsville, exploded yesterday afternoon, wrecking every thing and causing a loss of \$15,000. No one was hurt, but the city will be in darkness throughout the holidays.

For the Christmas and New Year holidays the I. C. R. R. will sell excursion tickets to all stations north of Cairo, at one fare for the round trip. Tickets will be on sale Dec. 24th, 25th, 26th and 31st, and on Jan. 1st and 2d. Good to return up to January 3d.

Cocheco Flannel Shirts, in all the latest shades, plaited bosom, perfect in fit, at B. St. ne's.

DAY BOARD \$3.00 per week at Combs' Court House Restaurant—the best place in the city to board. Meals at all hours. No. 139 South Water St. n25-dtf

INMAN & LAWRENCE, at their restaurant, south side Lincoln Square, serve lunch, oysters and regular meals at low prices. No better place in town. Restaurant open all night. dec16-d&wtf

FUN CAPS, Scotch Caps and every kind of caps at the Star Clothing House, 147 N. Water street. dec1-dlm

T. N. LEAVITT, of Marion, has been appointed agent for the Hero Wall Anger for Macon and adjoining counties. The Pierce Anger was the one used at Decatur and Marion. n17-dawtf

FINE Jersey Coats at A. F. Ross', 147 N. Water St. dec1-dlm

For a Christmas present anyone will appreciate, get a box of crystallized or candied fruits at Dinges & Coop's. 17-d6

SPECIAL SALE of Silk Umbrellas, at J. R. Race & Co's. dec19-1w

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[Notices in this column, of five lines or less will be inserted one week for 25 cents, payable in advance.]

FOR RENT—A good five-room brick house, with two porches, and a well, and a good garden, located on West Main street. Apply to COPE BROS., 646 West Main street. Dec 19 dft

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FOR RENT, Cheap, a house of four rooms. Enquire on the premises, 705 North Union St. dec15-dft

WANTED—The public to know that I am still representing the Camargo Nurseries—and am making a specialty of the choice White Grapes, also a full line of fruit and ornamental trees, at reasonable prices, all warranted to grow. P. W. TAYLOR, 840 N. Union St., Decatur. dec15-dft

MATRESSES.—Mattresses and feathers renovated by the latest improved machinery at the Mattress Factory, 63 E. Broadway. Also mattresses exchanged for feathers. Give us a call or telephone 153. COX & CHAMBERLAIN. nov19-dft

FOR SALE OR TRADE—One-half interest in Grocery Store, clean goods. Good trade. Apply to "P" this office. n10

FOR RENT—The basement, store-room and second floor of my building, west side Lincoln Square, containing water, gas, closets and all modern conveniences. Apply to me at 120 West North street. C. A. CARTER. oct17-dft

OFFICE FOR RENT—Over B. Stine's clothing store. Rent reasonable. Call at oct10-dft B. STINE'S.

WANTED—Everybody to know that Bachman Bros. 248, East Main Street, have on hand a lot of second-hand Stoves, COOKS AND NEW, which will be sold at HALF PRICE. July-6dt

FOR RENT—A house of four rooms and out-ten. Inquire of F. W. NIEDERMEYER, on the Mount. sept10-dft

FOR RENT—The office lately occupied by the late Justice Lowry. Inquire to the REPUBLICAN office. 16-dft

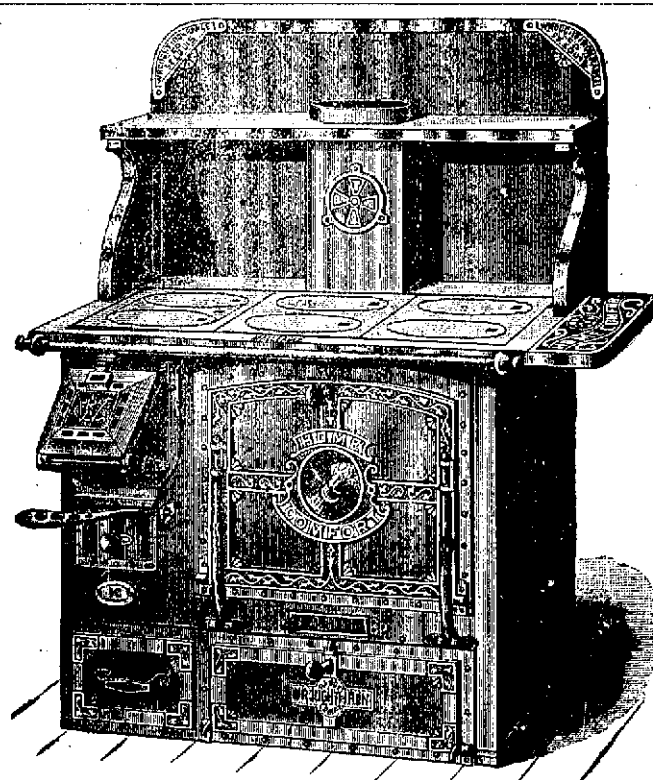
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Nov 26-d&wtm

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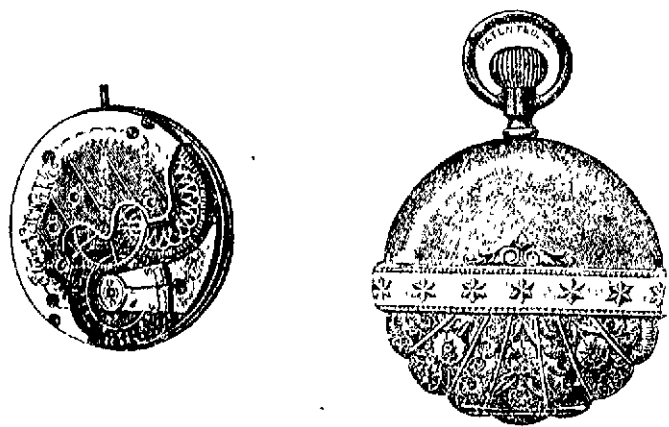
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Nov 25 d1m

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Nov 26-1m

HEADQUARTERS

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+J. E. SAXTON,+

Next Door to the Post Office, Decatur, Ill.

Nov 25-d1m

Anecdote of Horace Greeley.
When I was a cub--back in the thirties
--I was living with my mother and step-
father in Brooklyn. One day I was sent
over to New York to deliver an imposing
stone to the firm of Greeley & Winchester,
who were then publishing The New
World. I was told not to deliver the
stone unless I got my money. When I
arrived at Horace Greeley's office he im-
mediately ordered his men to hoist the
stone to the third story with a block and
tackle, and it was hoisted. I had insisted
with Mr. Greeley that I could not leave
the stone without the money, but he
simply answered me by saying, "My son,
the stone is in the third story; how are
you going to get it down? You come over
Saturday and I will pay you for the
stone." I told him if I went back with-
out the money I would get a terrible
thrashing, and which, by the way, I un-
questionably got.
I went back Saturday and Mr. Greeley
wanted to put me off again. I told him
of the bending which my stepfather had
given me. He seemed to doubt it, so I
pulled off my jacket and showed him how
black and blue my back was. When he
saw the marks he said: "My God! what
a brute a man must be to beat a child in
that manner. Sit down. I'll get the
money, although I'll have to borrow it."
In five minutes he returned with some
apples and ginger cake for me, and then
he went out and was gone for an hour,
when he appeared with the money. When
I receipted the bill he handed me \$1, say-
ing: "This will take a little of the pain
out of your back, and, if ever you want a
friend and I can serve you, come and see
me." I did not meet Greeley again for
seven years, when I met him in Washing-
ton. I was in need of a friend then, and
he introduced me to Henry Clay and
Daniel Webster, and did all he could to
further my interests, which, by the way,
was my first successful stepping stone in
life.--Judge C. F. Cady in Globe-Dem-
ocrat.

Bad Health of the Rich.

Bad health afflicts the millionaire as it
does the pauper. Many a modern Midas
has the dyspepsia, and he cannot eat the
dainty things which his French cook
brings him. Amos Lawrence, of Boston,
did not dare to tempt his stomach by eat-
ing with his family, and had to confine
himself to a meal of gruel. Jay Gould
lately telegraphed to a London doctor for
a cure for neuralgia, and the pills which
he received in response did not help him a
bit. All the millions in the world will
not stop the jumping toothache, and Mrs.
A. T. Stewart paid \$32,000 a year to three
physicians during her latter days and died
at last, and she was not happy under the
process. All of Mayor Hewitt's wealth
will not drive away insomnia. Insomnia
is the ghost of many a rich man, and I
doubt that Hewitt would give many
thousand dollars to know that it would
never visit him again. He had in Wash-
ington during his congressional career a
half dozen different houses and could not
buy sleep at the highest rental rates.

During part of the time he lived at
Wormley's hotel and had the whole top
floor reserved for him. He would travel
from one bedroom to another night after
night seeking a soporific pillow, but his
efforts were often in vain, and the crow-
ing of the cocks, the yawling of the cats
and the barking of the dogs drove sleep
from his eyelids. A baker, who was
probably happy when he made \$5 a day,
lived near Hewitt's Washington house.
This baker's name was Kaiser and this
Kaiser had a dog. The dog disturbed
Hewitt night after night and Hewitt
made such a fuss about it that his trouble
was published in the papers throughout
the country. Kaiser, however, would not
sell the dog and the rich man was forced
to listen to it.--Frank G. Carpenter in
Kansas City Journal.

Curiosities of a Mexican Town.

Close to the city the Guanajuato quar-
ries yield a beautiful stone, which has
now a clear peacock and now a bright
pink color, and which is very fine for
building purposes, with the one drawback
--that the slabs obtained, while they may
be had of almost any desired area, are but
three or four inches in thickness. For
columns, however, this is rather an ad-
vantage, as may be seen in the portico of
the great theater now building, where the
trunked pillars have an appearance of
most of mosaic from the striated effect of
the stone dorsals. The market place at
Guanajuato is laid at all sorts of places,
and angles, and it is a most picturesque
and interesting district. Especially is it
rich in arborescences, or herb stands, where
are sold the simples affected by the hot
pollen, not only vegetable in form, but
echinoderm shells, deer's horns, many
mineral remedies, armadillo shells, pole-
cats split open and dried, and many other
kindred jangling rostrums. Here, too,
are sold various charming sorts of pottery
--the lovely iridescent ware, the discovery
of whose manufacture in Mexico has cre-
ated a veritable furor among the affectors
of ceramics--the red, double spotted, can-
teen like water bottles, and the strikingly
effective ware of Guadalajara, which, by
the way, may here be bought for a trifle,
78 cents the bottle, while in Chihuahua
or Mexico it costs from \$1 to \$3--San
Francisco Chronicle.

An End to Bone Scraping.

Edward Shepherd, of Harrisburg, Ill.,
says: "Having received so much benefit
from Electric Bitters, I feel it my duty
to let suffering humanity know it. Have
had a running sore on my leg for eight
years; my doctors told me I would have
to have the bone scraped or leg amputated.
I used, instead, three bottles of
Electric Bitters and seven boxes Buck-
len's Arnica Salve, and my leg is now
sound and well." Electric Bitters are
sold at 50 cents a bottle, and Bucklen's
Arnica Salve at 25 cents per box by John
A. Swearingen.

Coal! Coal!

Varieties of Hard and Soft Coal at E.
L. Martin's North Main Street Yard.
Telephone No. 438. Order by telephone
at Sourenman's drug store, opposite post-
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The United States Mint at Philadel-
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we got a 'Home Comfort' range in the
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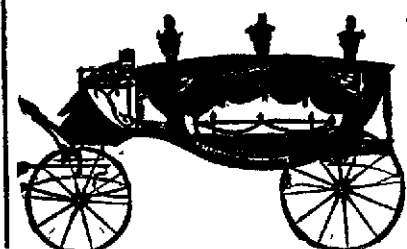
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Dec 7-42w

LOCAL NEWS.

For dinner and tea sets, go to E. D. BARTHOLOMEW & Co.'s.
THREE days to Christmas.

It was 4 degrees above zero this morning.
UNCLE TOM will be with us again Friday night.

CALL up Niedermeyer for the Mound for Christmas candies and groceries.

FRESH oysters, Nauchatel and Edam cheese at J. Lytle & Co.'s grocery store.

ISAAC SALSBUURY has sold 80 acres in 17, 4, 1, to W. R. Gordon for \$8,600.

THE funny Troubadours will appear this evening at the opera house.

THE I. B. Gring farm of 171 acres was purchased by Alfred Cooper, not Will Gring, for \$7,738.24.

BUY White Foam flour of all leading grocers. It will make splendid Christmas bread.

MONDAY evening, Dec. 26, see the great play, "Unknown," at the opera house. Special scenery and a strong company.

Go to Harry Snarr's for the largest line of candies, fruits and nuts in the city. 22-43

ALL leading dealers sell White Lion and Daily Bread flour, made by Shellabarger & Co.

CHARITY organization meeting to-morrow afternoon at 2 o'clock in the Gallagher block.

THE office of the Daily Review will be removed from its present location to the Shaffer building on Prairie street, one block west of the postoffice, on Jan. 2d.

JAMES HOLLINGER has purchased the barber shop in the north end of Central block, where all old friends and new callers as well will receive a hearty welcome, and get shaving work done in first-class style. Hair cutting a specialty. dec19-d1m

It was shown at the inquest upon the body of Jamie McMillan, who hanged herself to a rafter in her father's barn in Edgar county, that she expected to be married, but her lover had left her and gone to Missouri.

SEE Moore Bros in opera block for good groceries and California fruits.

NOTHING nicer for a Christmas present than one of those celebrated Washburn and Conservatory Guitars, Banjos, Violins, Mandolins, Zithers and Autoharps at Prescott's.

MEETING of the charitable organization to-morrow afternoon at the Gallagher block. A. T. Hill is the delegate for the county board.

INVEST in one of those Western Cy. done washing machines on sale at Lytle & Eckels' hardware store, if you want a good thing.

A LARGE line of confectioners' sugar, nuts, figs and dates for making candies, at Harry Snarr's. 22-43

THE "Human Nature" had a small audience. Richard O'Gorman was far as a New England farmer, but he ought to stick to the small towns, or get a better support. The orchestra was the best feature of the performance.

"I wonder how it is that Lawrence Barrett always keeps his voice so clear and resonant?" "Why I suppose, like every other sensible man, he keeps a supply of Dr. Bull's Cough Syrup."

Rheumatism had had hold of me for two or three years. I tried Salvation Oil; it quickly gave me relief, and I have not had it since. WM. CLARK, Clifton, Baltimore Co., Md.

MAKE a useful present by selecting a parlor or bedroom set, or an easy chair at Dustman & Meyer's furniture store.

DON'T fail to see Mr. Frank Cotton as Christopher Blizard in that funny comedy entitled "Confusion," or King the Baby.

ALL of the Decatur Banks will be closed on Monday after Christmas and Monday after New Year's Day. Make a note of this. 20-d10

Get your Christmas turkey at Dinges & Coop's. 17-46

SWEETHEARTS and wives will want to hear the charming Fuller Sisters sing their beautiful nautical ballad, "My Sailor Boy is Home Again."

READ Cheap Charlie's advt. d&wtf

Attention, Knights of Pythons. Regular convocation of Cour de Leon Lodge No. 17, K. of P., at their Castle Hall, this (Thursday) evening at 7:30 o'clock, for work. A full attendance requested. Visiting brothers cordially invited. P. Taylor, C. C. S. B. Moore, K. of R. and S.

AN IMPORTANT MEETING.

Outline of the Objects and Methods of the Charity Society.

An important delegate meeting of all benevolent societies of Decatur will be held in the Gallagher block to-morrow afternoon at 2 o'clock. It will result in the formation of a permanent charitable organization, such as in successful operation at Indianapolis. The committee has prepared a constitution which will be presented at the meeting for adoption. It is outlined below, the points given setting forth in brief the objects and methods of the organization:

NAME. The society shall be called the "Charity Organization of Decatur."

OBJECTS. To see that all deserving cases of destitution are properly relieved; to prevent indiscriminate and duplicate giving; to make employment the basis of relief; to secure the community from imposture; to reduce vagrancy and pauperism and ascertain their true causes.

METHODS. The objects of the society are to be reached by a system of visiting and inquiry, thorough in character; by bringing into harmonious action with each other all societies; by placing, under proper limitations, the results of inquiries at the service of poor boards, church societies, charitable organizations and private persons of benevolence; by obtaining the necessary help for all deserving cases of want from the proper charitable societies, or from official or individual sources; or, failing in this, by furnishing relief from its own funds; by raising the poor from a condition of dependence by fostering their self-respect, and by promoting habits of forethought and self-help, and better and more sanitary modes of living.

The society shall consist of a Union of charity organizations and church societies, each contributing \$5.00 annually. A contribution of \$25.00 gives a life membership, or anyone can become a member by paying \$1.00 or giving a like amount to any one of the societies comprising the Union organization.

The officers will be a president, five vice-presidents, a secretary and treasurer. There will be five district committees, one for each ward, each to have five members, to be elected by members of the societies residing in the wards. The mayor will name a policeman to act with each committee. The Central Council of five members—one from each district—shall consider all questions of principle relative to the work, the mayor, one supervisor, overseer of the poor, county physician, chairman of the board of health, the hospital physician, and the city marshal to be ex-officio members of the council.

The society shall have a central office, where each morning the societies giving and shall send full reports of relief given, and at the office shall be kept a free registry of labor and a systematized record of all applications for relief. The secretary shall receive a salary and shall have charge of the central office, shall keep the register of labor and shall industriously endeavor to bring the employer and laborer together. He shall thoroughly investigate every application for relief, calling to his assistance, when necessary, the district committee, the overseer of the poor, the county physician and the police.

It will be an open meeting for all interested in benevolence, and everybody is invited to be present. Plenty of room in the hall.

WILLIAM M. BUNDY, who resides near Oakland Park, desires it stated that he is not the Bundy who had the warning card published in these columns recently. He has had no trouble of a domestic character and is not related to the signor of the card.

THE Bloomington papers of to-day speak in the highest terms of the "Humming Bird" performance last night.

MR. GEORGE STARK has presented the REPUBLICAN with a bottle of salt water taken from the natural gas well at a depth of 1200 feet. If you don't think it is briny come in and try it.

WE learn from an exchange that Robert Ling and James McCue, conductors on the Illinois Central, running between Clinton and Centralia, are both confined to their beds at Clinton with that dread disease, the small-pox. They contracted the disease while attending the conductors' excursion to Old Mexico, from which they returned a couple of weeks since. Both men have families. The railroad men will be sorry to hear of their trouble.

DON'T FAIL To Attend the Great Poultry Show Now in progress at the Masonic Building. ONLY 10 CENTS admission. Over 1,000 fine birds and many beautiful Pats now on exhibition. Don't fail to attend now, as the show will close Saturday night. Take the women and children to see this, the best show of the Macon County Poultry Club. Thursday, Friday and Saturday are the best days. 1d

BERT STEWART is engaged in footing up the mortgaged indebtedness of Macon county for the State Board of Labor Statistics. He will go from here to Logan county, and then to Cook county.

PEORIA is to have a Christmas prize fight. It is for \$250 a side, and the talent is Arthur Magesty, of Peoria, and Shea, the champion light-weight of Indiana. The contestants are in training. Local sports are talking about the coming mill.

THESE are busy times for C. B. Prescott, who is having a big trade in Haines Bros.' and other standard pianos, organs, and musical merchandise generally. His stock is large and varied, selected especially for the holiday season. See his display.

Pretty Gifts. W. C. Armstrong at his drug store has been having a rapid sale of his elegant Christmas goods for several weeks, and deservedly so, for the articles are unique and beautiful, embracing plush dressing cases, manicure sets, perfume sets and perfume in bottles, shaving sets all suitable for ladies and gentlemen. If you want to decide quick and save time and money, call at Armstrong's store for Christmas presents. 43t

QUAIL, Pheasant and Grouse at Krebs' ad dt

A Change of Name.

At the meeting of the directors of the Indianapolis, Quincy & Missouri River Railway, held in Decatur yesterday, that road and the Indianapolis & Wabash road, were consolidated under the name of the Indianapolis, Decatur & Western Railway Co., the name of the new organization that is to take charge of the I. D. & S. line as soon as the complete reorganization takes place. The gentlemen present at the meeting were President Pierce, Treasurer Lazarus, Secretary Abbott, G. W. Bender, A. C. Harrison, A. Hayward, and John P. Todd. It is gratifying to note the fact that in the new name Decatur has a place. Next spring an effort will be made to get the road extended through Decatur to the Mississippi.

PERSONAL MENTION.

J. J. Swartz, of Macon, visited Decatur last evening.

Rev. T. W. Pinkerton arrived home this morning from Kentucky.

Ex-Sheriff Frank Hitchcock, of Peoria, was in the city to-day.

Miss Jose Gasaway left to-day for Fairmount, to remain until after Christmas.

J. M. Huff and wife went to Cerro Gordo to-day to attend the wedding of Carl Evans and Alma Zinn.

Miss Lucille Durfee arrived home last night from Wells College, New York, to remain until after the holidays.

S. A. McWhorter, of Omaha, formerly of Decatur, has sold his 160 acre farm in McLean county for \$8,800.

H. V. Anthony, representing the Warner Brothers, of Chicago, is in the city and will remain here 10 days.

Mrs. L. A. Hovey, of Bloomington, who has been visiting her son, Ed. Wills, has returned home.

Miss Lou Walston is home from Smith College, and Bain Walston has returned from the Northwestern University—both here for the holiday festivities.

Gen. McNulta and wife, and Mr. Henry D. Spencer and wife, were among the numerous guests at the G. W. Funk reception at Bloomington Wednesday night.

Mr. and Mrs. Ed Wills departed this afternoon for West Plains, Mo., to visit D. D. Powles and family. Ed, who is the Central baggage man, wants a rest. Mr. Shimer will hustle in his absence.

The marriage of Mr. John Swygart, the popular Wabash engineer, of Decatur, and Miss Mattie Holman, was celebrated at Hannibal, Mo. Wednesday afternoon, Rev. M. B. Chapman of the Methodist church officiating. Mr. and Mrs. Swygart are now in Chicago, and will soon arrive in Decatur.

THE Salsburys To-Night. The comedy at the opera house to-night will be "The Humming Bird" by the celebrated Salsbury Troubadours, a troupe famous the world over for clean fun. An exchange said:

There is a breeziness about these actors that custom does not wither. It is to the purity of the entertainments they give that the Troubadours owe their success. It is a matter of small consequence what may be the name or plot of the play in which they appear, and "The Humming Bird" would never have a run were it not for the delicious performance of these delightful actors. What little plot it possesses turns upon the complications that arise by the insertion of two persons in the Herald. There are a jealous husband and wife, a rich artist and a young widow, an Irish policeman and a junior, and the actor and stage-struck lady's maid who strongly recall Granby Gagg and Sally Scruggs of honored memory. But there is bustle from the rise to the fall of the curtain.

DAILY John Pridemore is expecting another letter from his brother Tom, giving him further information about Fred Mendenhall, who tried to enslave him out of \$100.

IN the Front Rank. John Zellar, of the opera house meat market next to opera house entrance, is willing to concede that there is a finer lot of cattle to be slaughtered for Christmas than ever before, and he is quite willing to acknowledge that credit is due to the butchers for the enterprise displayed. Nevertheless he wants it distinctly understood that John Zellar is in the front rank, that he will never be surpassed in his Christmas preparations, and that he now is prepared to assure his patrons and the public generally that the beef, pork and mutton which has for the Christmas trade are absolutely second to none. He has positively the finest sheep ever brought to the city. There are ten full blood Southdowns, bred and fed by Geo. E. Elliot, of Harriestown. Among the fat cattle are a Hereford heifer fed by Geo. Towne, of Harriestown; a thoroughbred Shorthorn steer from Mr. Hodge, of Argenta; some fine shorthorns from the herd of J. G. Willard, of Harriestown. Positively no better cattle were ever slaughtered in Decatur. Seven of the finest hogs of the best breeds. All these meats can be guaranteed at least equal to any which can be purchased elsewhere. Come and see if I do not give you better meat. This much I know—that I can give you meat of such fine quality that you won't want any turkey in yours. JOHN ZELLAR. 22-2t

Open Evenings for the Holidays. From the 15th until after the holidays we will keep open until 9 o'clock. We will give special bargains on all goods sold for holiday trade, and have just received a new invoice of the choicest late winter Millinery goods from New York. All trimmed goods to be sold at greatly reduced prices. Mrs. K. EINHORN, 10dow 110 North Water Street.

A. F. Ross gives away a sled with every boy's suit of clothes or overcoat purchased at the Star Clothing House. dec1-d1m.

A MODEL CHRISTMAS DISPLAY.

Select Roasts, Steaks and Other Juicy Cuts at Blenz Bros' Market.

Blenz Bros., the enterprising butchers at No. 650 East Eldorado street, are always at the front on holiday and other occasions with the choicest line of meats for their large army of patrons. They have the patronage of the east end of the city and other quarters of the town as well. Their customers are fastidious, and they are the caterers who please them. They supply the Wabash dining cars running to Chicago, St. Louis and Toledo, so it will be seen that their business is of very considerable magnitude. It was built up and extended by their own energy and perseverance.

THE CHRISTMAS DISPLAY. Had the weather been favorable Blenz Bros. would have made an imposing street parade of their Christmas beaves on Wednesday, but the blizzard prevented it. Their Christmas herd includes nine Galloway steers and heifers, 13 to 18 months old, weighing 1100 to 1300 pounds, bought of G. W. Richmond, Columbus, Wis., the first Galloways ever killed in Decatur; two Holsteins, each weighing 1400 pounds, bought of S. Chappel, Decatur; four short two-year-old Herefords, 1400 to 1500 pounds, raised by John Burkhardt, Dalton City; seven short two-year-old Herefords, 1400 to 1500 pounds, bought of W. S. Smith, Mt. Zion, and a three-year-old Short-horn steer and a 2-year-old heifer, each weighing 1700 pounds, bought of Adam Blenz; also 40 head of Poland-China hogs from the farm of John A. Brown.

The Galloways are a beautiful breed of cattle from Scotland and are entirely new in Decatur. They are of medium size, short-legged and long-bodied, comparing favorably with other best breeds for early maturity and heavy weights, a Galloway steer 2 years and 9 months old weighing 2145 pounds.

No Decatur butcher can show a greater variety of meats for the holidays than the Blenz Bros. They have filled their market with the Galloway, Holstein, Hereford and Short-horn cuts, and are now ready to serve the public whose approbation they always strive to gain. The stall is decked out in elaborate style with a tasteful arrangement of the juicy meats. The style of decoration adopted is that vogue in the east, where it is said butchers excel in Christmas displays.

In addition to the foregoing Blenz Brothers have secured a plentiful supply of game, such as venison, buffalo, bear and turkeys. Blenz Brothers have truly outdone themselves this year and have reason to feel proud of the results. They were busy to-day filling orders for Galloway, Holstein and Hereford cuts, sent in from St. Louis, Springfield and other points near and far.

THE Bluegrass Shop will make you low figures on vehicle work. ap16-dtf

THE Hercules white shirts are the best and only one dollar. Linn & Sonrags. d&w

THE Wabash Company has suggested to the members of the Central Traffic Association the advisability of uniting upon a joint, or interchangeable, ticket for all companies composing the association, and this by urgent request of vast numbers of commercial travelers. As the custom is now, each company issues a thousand-mile ticket for \$25; a two thousand-mile ticket for \$40, and by the Wabash plan a five thousand-mile ticket could be sold for \$100, and used on any road selling it, or on each one of the roads in the Central Traffic Association, as the purchaser may have occasion. The plan is a very fair one, and worthy of a trial.

THE interest in the revival meeting at Stapp's Chapel, conducted by Evangelist Potter, is unabated. Much good is being done.

Headquarters for Fine Holiday Novelties and Every Day Goodies.

Pure Confectioner's Sugar for French Candy, Almond Paste for layer cakes, Jelly Cured Appricots for dessert, French Cream Candies, Crystalized Fruits, and a long list of other good things to be had from D. H. HEDLMAN & SON. 21-44

DAN W. JONES, a former Decatur saloon keeper, was arrested yesterday on an old capias and taken in charge by Sheriff Maury. Dan had a number of indictments against him for violating the liquor law. Gilbert Howell went on his bond for \$500, and Dan departed. He has been away a good while, but to guard against accidents the case was stricken with leave to reinstate. Now Dan will have to face the music just if he had not been absent a day. Mr. Jones gave \$300 for his appearance and was released.

THE Terre Haute & Peoria holiday rates from Decatur, Ill., are as follows: To Kansas City and Omaha, Neb., at one fare for the round trip, good going Dec. 24th to 26th inclusive, 31st and Jan. 1st and 2d, good to return up to Jan. 3d. Train leaves Decatur at 12:20 p. m., arrives at Omaha at 6 a. m. next morning. For tickets call on T. Penwell, City Ticket Agt., at A. M. Ex. office. 21-48

Decatur Encampment No. 37, I. O. O. F. Regular meeting this (Thursday) evening at 7:30 o'clock, sharp. Work in the G. R. degree. A full attendance is desired, as business of importance will be transacted. E. C. BASSEY, C. P.

RESERVED SEATS are now on sale for the grand opening matinee Monday, Christmas afternoon, of Music Hall, by the celebrated Fuller Sisters Comedy Co.

Get Booth oysters fresh every day at Dinges & Coop's. 17-46

Ottomans and Blacking Cases. Bachman Bros. have just received a fine line of Ottomans and Blacking Cases, which they offer at 50c, 75c, \$1.00 and upwards. d14d10t

For Weather Strips, upholstering and mitre repairing go to A. Beers. Oct1-d3ms

A full line of Boys' and Youth's Patent Leather Slippers just received at Powers & Haworth. d10-dtf

BEEF AND BEAR.

Go and See Them at the Merchant Street Shop.

Danzeisen & Son, the popular Merchant street butchers, do not propose to be behind their competitors in their offering of Christmas meats to the public. For the holidays they have slaughtered two Herefords and two short-horns, giving their patrons a chance to judge for themselves the relative merits of these two rival breeds. All are first-class animals, fattened especially for holiday use, and as the carcasses lie upon the blocks they look so handsome and tempting that no one but a professional can tell which is to be preferred—whether the white-looking fat which streaks the meat of the Hereford, or the rich, golden, buttery marbled flesh of the glorious short-horn. Either is good enough for the table of a king, and the man who dines upon a roast from the loin of either may congratulate himself upon having such a feast as Epicurus himself might envy.

Besides these choice animals, which are as fine as any ever slaughtered in Decatur, Danzeisen & Son have upon their blocks a very choice bear, which will serve to bring back to the old settler memories of the far away days when "bar meat" was about as common as pork is to-day. In addition they have the usual display of mutton, veal, pork, sausage, and the scores of toothsome things which the competent butcher knows how to concoct, and in this regard none can excel Danzeisen & Son, who are as thorough masters of the business as can be found anywhere. Go and see their display; it is tastefully shown, besides being in itself as near perfection as it is possible to get. 22-43

JOHN RUSSELL, of Hammond, who has just found his runaway wife in a low house at Terre Haute, was arrested to-day on word from the chief of police of Hammond that he was wanted there for forgery. He agreed to return without a requisition and the runaway wife returned with him.

MARRIED.

At his office, on December 21, by Ira B. Curtis, Thomas Moore, of Decatur, and Mrs. Jennie McCullum, of Peoria, Ill.

By Rev. D. P. Runn, at the residence of the bride's parents, one and one-half miles east of Peoria, in Blue Mound township, 31st and 32nd streets, December 21, 1897, Jean Peters, of Peoria, and Laura, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Alfred Morley.

Those who sampled the Princess Tea at the St. Louis Exposition will be pleased to know that Dinges & Coop are the sole agents here. Buy it and you will use no other Tea. 17-46

All kinds of upholstering goods in stock at A. Beers, Lincoln Square. oct1-d3m

GO TO THE BIG CIRCUS! SANTA CLAUS' HEADQUARTERS, THE FAIR!

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<h3>CHRISTMAS GOODS.</h3> <p>The Surest and Best of Holiday Offerings.</p> <p>ALBUMS:</p> <p>Our wonderful 25c Album can't be beat. Our 50c Album is a hummer. Our 98c Album is good enough for any one.</p> <p>Scrap Books 10c, 25c, 35c, 50c and 98c. Autograph Books from 10c up.</p> <p>China Limb Dolls, 10c, 15c, 25c and up.</p> <p>ARTISTIC BRASS GOODS.</p> <p>Match Safes from 10c up. Brass Waiters, 15c up. Brass Whisk Broom Holders, 25c up. Brass Slippers, 10c. Brass Illuminated Match safes, 15c. Brass Crumb Tray, 75c up. Brass Picture Easels, 45c. Bronze Mirrors, 98c.</p> <p>HOLIDAY NOVELTIES.</p> <p>Odor Cases—Plush Odor Stand. Writing Portfolios, 25c, 50c and 98c. Writing Desks \$1.25, worth \$2. Gents' Pocket Cases. Music Roles. Photograph Stands. Toilet Mirrors, 10c up.</p>	<h3>PLUSH PHOTO FRAMES.</h3> <p>Plush Work Boxes. Plush Jewel Cases. Plush and Leather Toilet Sets—over 25 different styles.</p> <p>Perfumery—10 different styles. Puff Boxes. Fancy Toilet Soaps. Face Powder, Stanley, Tappin, Lubin, in different shades.</p> <p>Novelties in Baskets for the Holidays.</p> <p>Flower Baskets. Square Baskets. Lunch and Shopping Baskets. Infant Baskets. Scrap Baskets. Japanese Globe Basket. Work Baskets. Clothes Baskets. Hamper Baskets.</p>	<h3>TIN TOYS.</h3> <p>Tin Animals, Horses, Elephant Cars, Wagons, Horses, Cows, Steamboat Hook and Ladder Truck.</p> <p>WOODENWARE DEPT.</p> <p>Sleighs, Clipper Rocking Horses, Shoo Fly Rocker, Toy Wagons, Boys' Wheelbarrows, Patent Swing Horses. Stick Horses, Baby Swing, Boys' Express Wagons, Velocipedes, Toy Chairs, Children Chairs, Tables, Desks, Sleigh Beds, Perambulators, etc., etc.</p> <p>POTTERY AND GLASSWARE DEPARTMENT.</p> <p>The modest elegance which characterizes the Entirely New Stock of Glassware displayed by us this season surprises everybody. Decorated Butter Dishes. Fancy Cups, Saucers and Plates. Shaving Cups. Mugs. Slipper Toothpick Stands. Pitchers. Nobly Berry Dishes. Fruit Bowls. Water Sets. Bread Plates. Molasses Cups. Stand Lamps. Colored Tumblers. Fancy Tea Sets, and a thousand articles to make your friends happy.</p>
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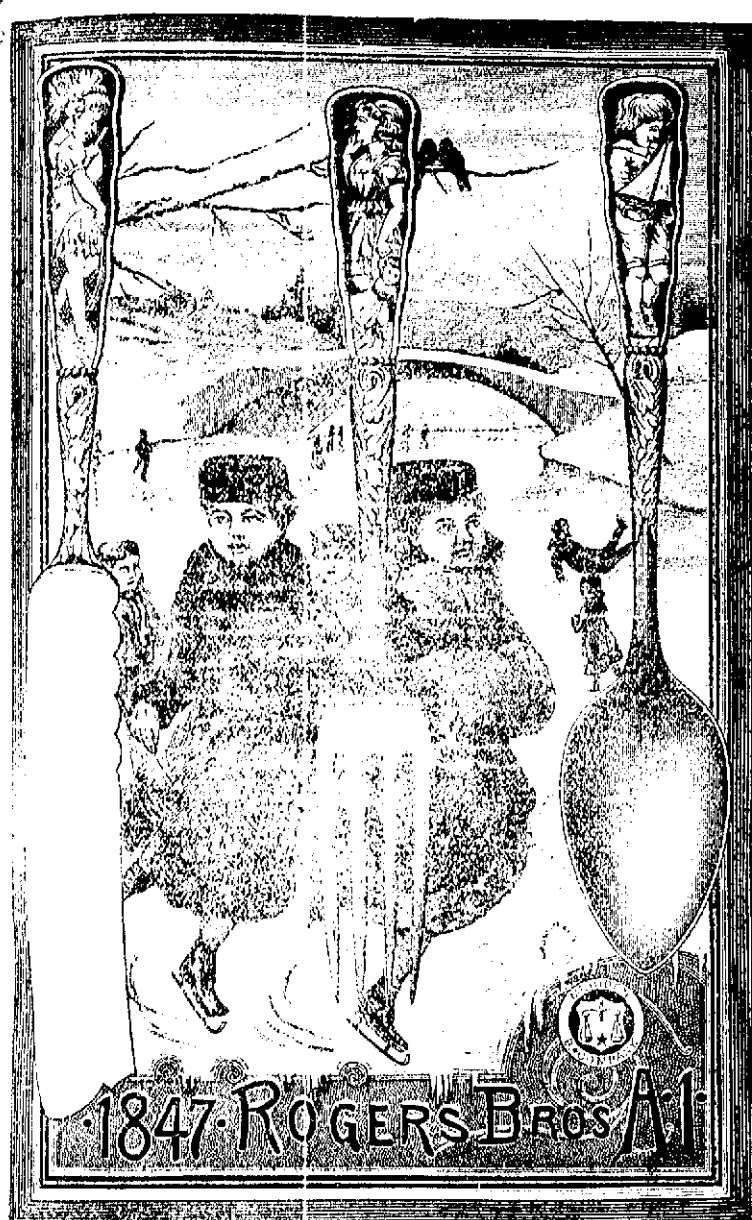
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All purchases made of us until January 1st shall be a BARGAIN FOR THE BUYER. Prices on DRESS GOODS, SILKS, VELVETS, and ALL MILLINERY GOODS, Especially TRIMMED HATS AND BONNETS. CUT RIGHT AND LEFT.

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Malaga Grapes.
Crystalized Plums,
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DINGES & COOP'S.

THURSDAY EVE., DEC. 22, 1887.

LOCAL NEWS.

PAT ROONEY is coming.

You will save money by purchasing family groceries at Hanks & Patterson's store, 143 South Water street.

NEARLY all of the churches will observe Christmas on Monday, when there will be treats for the children.

NEEDLE BOY'S California company will appear Monday night at the opera house in the romantic drama, "Unknown."

A large line of confectioners' sugar, nuts, figs and dates for making candies, at Harry Snarr's. 22-d3

CHRISTMAS groceries and fruits at Knoble & Osborn's family store, 121 North Water street.

THE WEEKLY REPUBLICAN was issued today with another big supplement.

THERE was a pleasant surprise party Tuesday evening on Mr. and Mrs. Bud Florey, 501 East Marietta street, celebrating the fourth anniversary of their marriage. Games, cards, etc., engaged attention until 11 o'clock when a fine supper was served. Those present were John Strausbaugh and wife, Bud Meyers and wife, Peter Melchior and wife, Will Ranyan and wife, Ed Carter and wife, Mr. Mills and wife, Lawrence Miller and wife, Mr. Boutwell and wife, Wm. Ellman and wife, Mr. Brewington and wife, Misses Nesbitt, Lusk and Susie Perl, and Allan Blakely, James Waully, Charles Foster, Hiram Dillehunt, and Harry Foster. The couple received a number of valuable gifts.

Go to Harry Snarr's for the largest line of candies, fruits and nuts in the city. 22-d3

The children of "Grace Mission" will give on Thursday evening, December 22d, at the East Eldorado Guild Hall a musical entertainment which will be opened with a chorus of human sunflowers who will give selections from the operas Martha, Bohemian Girl, Mikado, etc., concluding with the cantata, "Santa Claus Mistake," or "A Bundle of Sticks." Proceeds to go towards the children's Xmas. Give them a liberal patronage. nov13dtd

Underwear
For Ladies and Children, a complete assortment, at lowest prices.
Lynn & Scruggs.

Stock Items.
Nichol Munch, of Argenta sold ten head of 2-year-old steers to Jerry Dehl. They averaged 1,527 pounds and brought \$4.15 per hundred.

At the stock sale of Josiah Luttrell at Kenny, Hereford cows sold for \$155, Hereford bull \$125, bull calf \$95, brood sows \$20 to \$30, spring calves \$20, yearling heifers \$28. Mr. Luttrell will move to California about February 1st next.

Horses are dying by the score from a disease somewhat similar to cancer at Sidell, Ill. The first place attacked is the throat, and after the eating process begins it takes only a few days for the disease to produce death. The farmers there are alarmed at the progress the disease is making. No remedy has yet been found that will either relieve the dying animals or affect a cure.

Children's Coats,
A large assortment, in handsome styles cheap, at
Lynn & Scruggs.

SENATOR FARWELL's bill for a law restricting immigration, introduced in the Senate Monday, does not go as far as it should, yet if passed will aid in settling some of the chaff from the immigrants seeking homes in this country. It provides that convicts, paupers, idiots and insane persons shall not be landed. Also—

That any immigrant who shall come by steam or sailing vessel from a foreign port to any port within the United States, shall, before being permitted to land, exhibit to a proper official, to be designated for that purpose by the Secretary of the Treasury, a certificate from the United States Consul for the port of clearance of said vessel, stating that said immigrant is not a convict, pauper, idiot or insane person, and that he is possessed of sufficient means to support himself for the period of six months. If any such immigrant shall be the head of a family with whom he is immigrating into the United States, then such certificate shall state that fact, give the number, age and relationships of the members of said family, and shall further state that the head of said family is not a convict, pauper, idiot or insane person, and that he is possessed of sufficient means to support himself and said family for the period of six months.

LIGHT-WEIGHT Flannel Shirts, neatly made, perfect fits, elegant shades, well adapted for clerks, book-keepers and business men generally, at B. STINE'S.

The Chicken Awards.

The Poultry Club Show may now be put down as a success, as the receipts are satisfactory and no one criticizes the very creditable display. The following awards were completed last night:

PLYMOUTH ROCKS.
E. D. Bartholomew, Decatur—Cock, 2d, 80%; Cockerel, 1st, 92%; 2d, 92%; 4th, 91. Hen, 4th, 91. Pullet, 1st, 94; 2d, 94; 3d, 94; 4th, 93%. Pen, 1st, 93; 2d, 93; 3d, 91; 4th, 91-20.

LANGSHANS.
Hockaday & McKay Emery—Cock, 1st, 90%; Cockerel, 2d, 91%; 4th, 91. Hen, 2d, 89%; 3d, 89; 4th, 88%. Pen, 1st, 91; 2d, 91; 3d, 90; 4th, 89.

W. F. Jacobs, Orona—Cock, 2d, 87%. Pullet, 2d, 83; 4th, 94.

G. E. Churchman, Decatur—Cockerel, 1st, 92%; Dr. J. C. Hall, Forsyth—Cockerel, 2d, 91%.

Henry J. Blenz, Decatur—Pullet, 1st, 94; 3d, 93. Pen, 2d, 90; 3d, 90-10.

PARTISAN COCHINS.
G. H. Cockill, Perry, Ill.—Cock, 1st, 93%. Cockerel, 1st, 90%; 2d, 90%. Hen, 2d, 91; 3d, 90%; 4th, 90. Pullet, 1st, 93. Pen, 1st, 92-20.

W. H. Cleve, Buckley, Ill.—Cock, 2d, 90%; Hen, 3d, 89. Pen, 2d, 89; 3d, 89-20.

F. L. Stevenson, Decatur—Cock, 3d, 88%. Hen, 1st, 93. Breeding Pen, 2d, 88-1-20.

W. C. Ritsman, Decatur—Cock, 4th, 85. Illinois Poultry Association, Illinois—Cockerel, 9th, 89.

WHITE COCHINS.
G. H. Andrews, Buckley, Ill.—Cock, 1st, 90. Hen, 1st, 91%.

F. T. Seeley, Decatur—Cockerel, 2d, 89%. Hen, 2d, 87%; 3d, 87%. Pullet, 1st, 91; 2d, 90; 3d, 88; 4th, 88; Breeding Pen, 2d, 87-1-20.

Nick Schaniel, Decatur—Cock, 2d, 89%.

M. Schaniel, Decatur—Cockerel, 4th, 81%.

D. A. Morehead, Decatur—Cockerel, 1st, 91. Pullet, 1st, 92; 2d, 89%.

Uncle Tom.
This strong endorsement was given by the Chicago Times: "Never in the annals of the theatre has a more powerful production of Uncle Tom's Cabin been given than the one now at McVickers' Theatre. The Gotthold Combination is composed of Legitimate Artists, and the scenic effects for beauty and realism has never been equalled on any stage. Every scene is perfection in itself."

The company will appear at the opera house to-morrow evening. Popular prices 25 cents for children to all parts of the hall.

Sharon Notes.
Roby & Co., of Decatur, who are in the grain and coal business at Wyke's Station, have built a new office.

The people and stock feeders in the vicinity of Wyke's Station have signed petitions and promise a paying business to the Wabash Railroad Co. if they would stop more trains for passengers and build a drive-way to lead stock.

The Park Brothers have been delivering fifteen hundred bushels of new corn at 40 cents.

We have heard stock feeders remark that it pays best this year to let the cattle follow the hogs.

A Christmas present received—a barrel of nice apples from J. Lytle & Co.'s grocery to Customer Lunk.

Miss Mollie Park gives a sociable this evening. Programme, real taffy and music.

Prof. J. Barnes, of the Bethel, is training for first tenor for the dedication of their new church Christmas day. FILLMORE.

A clear head is indicative of good health and regular habits. When the body is languid, and the mind works sluggishly, Ayer's Cathartic Pills will assist in the recovery of physical buoyancy and mental vigor.

Go to the Spencer & Lehman Co. for the Marcellus Steam and Power Corn Sheller, Hand Corn Shellers, power and hand Feed Cutters, corn and cob Crushers. Nov 9-d&w2m

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\$8 " " \$5.00 " "

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The choice of Combination Suits and Robes, worth from \$12 to \$35, are now being sold at \$10, and will be reduced 25c each day until all are sold. Ladies will find it to their advantage to select early.



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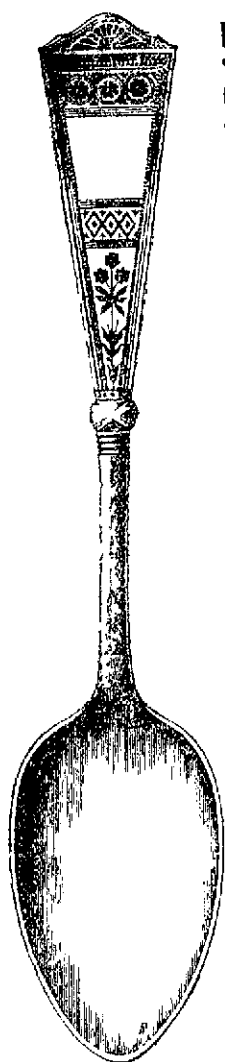
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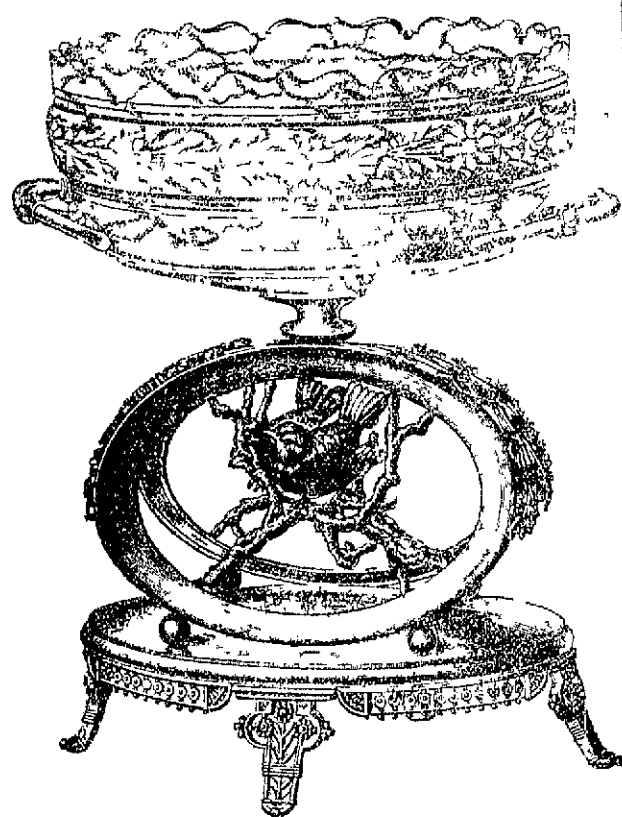
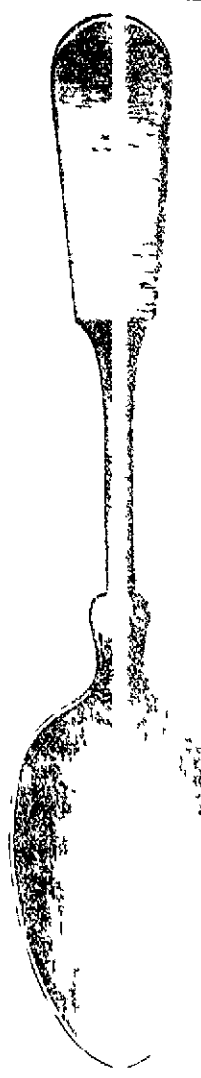
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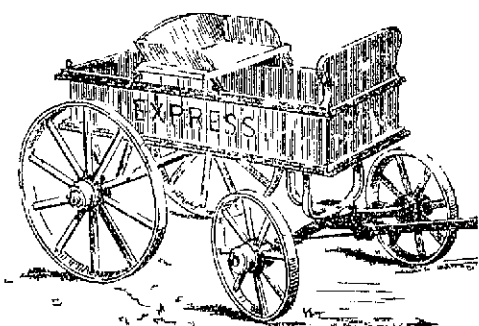
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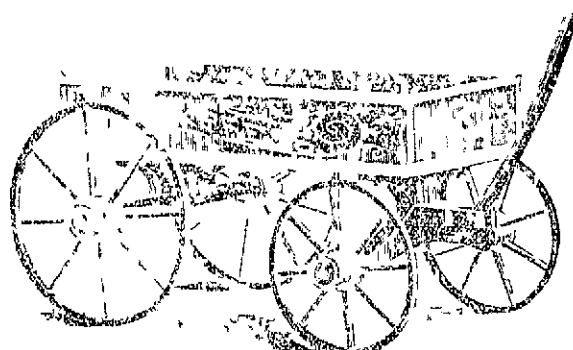
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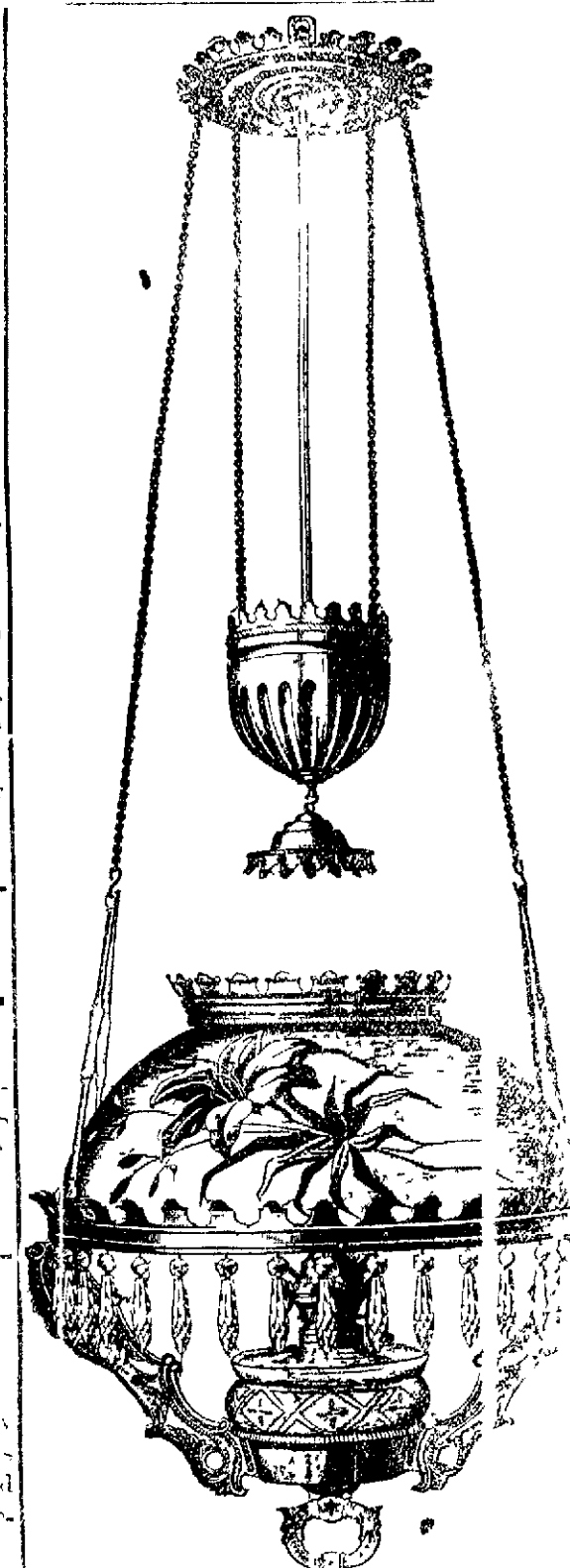
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